

Chambers of Senior Judge Ronald E. Longstaff

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Ronald E. Longstaff

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1941

Education: Pittsburg State 1962 BA; Iowa 1965 JD

Began Service: November 5, 1991

Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Law School, Drake University (1973-1976)

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Roy L. Stephenson, United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (1965-1967)

Judicial: Clerk of Court and Magistrate Judge (part-time), United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (1968-1976); Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (1976-1991); District Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (1991-2006); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (2006)

Legal Practice: Associate, McWilliams, Gross & Kirtley (1967-1968)

Current Memberships: The C. Edwin Moore American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Federal Judges Association; Iowa State Bar Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Dave Bower** (515) 284-6455

Began Service: August 2007

Term Expires: August 2009

Career Law Clerk **Carla J. Hamborg** (515) 284-6458

Education: Drake 1992 JD

Secretary **Debby Grimm** (515) 284-6235

Education: Upper Iowa 1989 BS

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Thomas J. Shields

Chief Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1947

Education: William & Mary 1969 BA; Indiana 1972 JD

Began Service: 1997

Term Expires: June 8, 2016

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable W. C. Stuart, United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (1972-1974)

Legal Practice: Lane & Waterman (1974-2000)

Current Memberships: American Association of Justice; American Bar Association; American Board of Trial Lawyers; American College of Trial Lawyers; Defense Research Institute; Indiana State Bar Association; Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers; Iowa Defense Counsel Association; Iowa State Bar Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Jed Brokaw** (563) 884-7601

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Education: Drake 1995 JD

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Ross A. Walters

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1949

Education: Penn State 1971 BA; Iowa 1977 JD

Began Service: 1994

Term Expires: 2010

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable William C. Hanson, United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (1977-1979)

Judicial: Judge, Iowa District Court, 5-C Judicial District (1990-1994)

Legal Practice: Associate, Herrick, Langdon & Langdon (1979-1982); Partner, Herrick, Langdon & Langdon (1982-1990)

Military Service: United States Naval Reserve (1971-1974)

Staff

Judicial Assistant **Nancy Ryan** (515) 284-6217

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Celeste F. Bremer

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1953

Education: St Ambrose 1974 BA; Iowa 1977 JD; Drake 2002 EdD

Began Service: January 1, 1990

Term Expires: January 1, 2014

Academic: Instructor, Law School, Drake University (1985-1990); Instructor, Drake University (2003-2005)

Government: Assistant Attorney, Office of the County Attorney, County of Scott, Iowa (1977-1979); Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Iowa (1979)

Judicial: Magistrate Judge (part-time), United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (1985-1990)

Legal Practice: Partner, Carlin, Liebbe, Pitton and Bremer (1979-1981); Partner, Rabin, Liebbe, Shinkle and Bremer (1981-1982); Counsel, Legal Department, Deere and Company (1982-1984); Counsel, Economy Forms Corporation (1985-1989)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The C. Edwin Moore American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; American Judicature Society; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Iowa Organization of Women Attorneys; Iowa State Bar Association; National Association of Women Judges; Polk County Bar Association; Polk County Women Attorneys Association

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Nancy P. Garrett** (515) 284-6264

Education: Missouri 1992 JD

Secretary **Melanie Ritchey** (515) 284-6200

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Number of Judgeships: 1

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Lee M. Jackwig

Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1950

Education: Loyola (Chicago) 1972 BA; DePaul 1975 JD

Began Service: November 3, 1986

Term Expires: November 2, 2014

Government: Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Iowa (1976-1979); Deputy Industrial Commissioner, State of Iowa (1979-1983); Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of Iowa, United States Department of Justice (1983-1986)

Current Memberships: American Bankruptcy Institute; American Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Iowa State Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; Polk County Bar Association; Polk County Women Attorneys Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Matthew Crouch** (515) 284-6302

Began Service: 2007

Term Expires: 2010

Law Clerk **Jonathan Haas** (515) 284-6231

Began Service: 2008

Term Expires: 2009

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**Kathryn Hoefer Vratil**

Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1949

Education: Kansas 1971 BA, 1975 JD

Began Service: October 30, 1992

Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Political Affiliation: Republican

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Earl E. O'Connor, United States District Court for the District of Kansas (1975-1978)

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